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Dear Senator Coleman, Representative Fox, Senator Kissel, Representative Rebimbas and the members of the Judiciary Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in <u>support</u> of **House Bill 6513** AN ACT CONCERNING THE BUDGET AND SPECIAL ASSESSMENT APPROVAL PROCESS IN COMMON INTEREST COMMUNITIES.

House Bill 6513 would address a problematic situation in condominium communities where the budget voting laws can allow a small and unrepresentative population of residents to block an otherwise satisfactory budget.

This bill would require that in order for a condominium community budget to be rejected, a majority of unit owners voting must vote to reject it, instead of a majority of total unit owners. Additionally, the bill would also require that the number voting to reject the budget must exceed one third of the total unit owners.

This common sense change would enhance the democratic process of condominium communities, and would ensure the budget process is a fair and efficient one.

Please consider voting favorably on this bill and I would be happy to address any questions you may have about this request.

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